

## **REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ADVERTISEMENT PAGE**

### **APPLICATION OF BIOSOLIDS FERTILIZER**

RFI Due Date September 5, 2000

Natural Resources Department is seeking information regarding the Application of Biosolids Fertilizer. Information will be accepted at the King County (hereinafter "County"), at its Procurement Services Division, Exchange Branch Office, Eight Floor, Exchange Building, 821 Second Avenue, M/S EXC-FI-8710, Seattle, Washington 98104-1598 until 5:00 p.m. local time on opening date September 5, 2000. The Request for Information (RFI) questionnaire may be obtained at no cost by contacting the undersigned at (206) 684-1055 or in person at the above address.

This solicitation of information is to obtain a list of potential contractors for the service of application of Biosolids. This request is not a request for bid or proposal. No award of a contract will be made on the basis of information provided in response to this request. Participation in this request for information will not provide an advantage to any respondent nor will non-participation be a detriment.

This RFI is available on the Internet at [www.metrokc.gov/finance/procure](http://www.metrokc.gov/finance/procure) and choosing "Procurement Information System..." on the next page choose "Exchange Building" and on the last page look for this RFI. Persons who copy the Document from the Internet must inform the Buyer that they have received the document. If they fail to inform the Buyer, they will not be notified of Addendums as issued. All Addendums must be referenced in the Proposal Response Form.

**This information is available on request in accessible formats for people with disabilities by calling (206) 684-2046 or (206) 689-3413 (TDD).**

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## **INFORMATION REQUEST**

### **1-1     Introduction**

The work to be performed generally consists of providing the operation, maintenance, repair, and supervision for King County's forest applications. Each day, the application sites receive a designated amount of tonnage from one of King County's treatment plants. The application contractor applies the daily tonnage to the sites according to King County's instructions and application rates.

#### **Background:**

King County's Biosolids Management Program is responsible for the transportation and application of biosolids fertilizer. A designated portion of the annual production is applied to forestland. King County is currently seeking information on and qualifications of contractors who provide biosolids forestland application services.

Biosolids fertilizer is the nutrient rich solid end product of the waste water treatment process. It consists of organic and inorganic solids removed during the treatment process. After treatment and processing, biosolids fertilizer is transported from the treatment plant to an application site. Once the biosolids have been delivered to a site, the application contractor is responsible for the application of the biosolids. King County is responsible for identifying and permitting all forestry sites.

The intent of this RFI is to seek information from vendors, consultants or others to describe the history of your organization, its scope of services and key personnel, including those individuals responsible for the specific services.

### **RFI QUESTIONS:**

Firms interested in providing the service of Application of Biosolids Fertilizer are asked to submit information requested below. Each firm is asked to limit its response to 15 pages:

A.        Identify your firm:

Name, address and phone number of contact, organizational structure of company; if foreign owned, have you done any work in the U.S., and do you have a U.S. affiliate?

B.        What does your firm do?

1.        In what year did your company first begin providing biosolids application services?
2.        Names of corporate officers.
3.        Name and training/experience of proposed key personnel.
4.        Beginning with the year provided in #1, for how many years has your company continuously provided biosolids application services?

5. Describe in detail the end-use for which your company has applied biosolids, e.g. agriculture, forestry, soil reclamation, etc. Include a detailed description of the overall operation and for what portion of it your company is responsible.
6. Describe in detail the equipment your company owns and/or has operated for biosolids application.
7. Approximately, how many wet-tons of biosolids has your company applied since it began providing biosolids application services? What is your average annual tonnage of biosolids applied?
8. Describe your company's experience in maintaining and repairing the equipment used for biosolids application. Include the experience of each person responsible for the maintenance and repair of the equipment. Indicate how much repair work and what category of repairs are contracted out to equipment repair companies.
9. List the organizations for which you have provided biosolids application services, including contact name and telephone number.
10. What is your historical and current geographical range of operation?
11. What other types of contracting has your company been involved in? For example, road construction, trucking, logging, other forest-related activities, etc.

. **SCHEDULE FOR REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)**

August 14, 2000	RFI issued
September 1, 2000	RFI submittal date
September 15, 2000	Complete review of information submitted
September 21, 2000	Issue possible RFB